VI metal-containing metallocene complex; and

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forming and heating a slurry of said solids at an elevated temperature in an aprotic, polar solvent so as to extract impurities from said solids to said solvent and then separating the impurity-containing solvent and the solids from each other.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-14, 17-24, 27-34, 36-43, and 45-48 remain in the case.

The Examiner is sincerely thanked for the very helpful suggestion in Paragraph 5 of the Action that inclusion of language showing that the 4,5-benzoindanol remains in the hydrocarbon solution after distillation would make the claims allowable over the prior art of record. Applicants have adopted this suggestion by adding such language to all of the claims. Thus, the 103 rejection set forth in Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Action is deemed inapplicable.

The above amendment is also deemed to overcome the 112 rejection set forth in Paragraph 1 of the Action. The claims now specify that the distillation of the ether extract leaves a liquid hydrocarbon solution of the 4,5-benzoindanol. Thus the claims read on the disclosure since both the 4,5-benzoindanol and the hydrocarbon remain after the distillation.

If any matters remain requiring further consideration, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the number given below so that such matters may be discussed and,

if possible, promptly resolved.

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